



We would like to extend a warm welcome to all our P5 pupils and parents, and hope you had a wonderful summer. Miss McFarlane (Mon/ Tues/ Wed) and Miss Hunter (Wed/Thurs/ Fri) are delighted to be teaching P5HM and Miss Flannagan welcomed back some familiar faces and some new ones in P5F. Both classes are enjoying their new classrooms and we can't wait to share these with you at our Meet the Teacher event (Wednesday 6th September 18:00 – 19:00). We are all looking forward to a busy and fun year ahead.

Literacy

Reading

Our book study this term is 'This Morning I Met A Whale' by Michael Morpurgo which also links to our IDL topic. Through our novel we will be practising skills of inference, visualisation and summarising. As always, we will be exploring the new language that every new novel brings and using these words in context.

Spelling

We are continuing our spelling practice of stage 4 phonemes in our Active Literacy programme. We will also be learning specific spelling rules to help us avoid making common mistakes.

Writing

Over the next few weeks, we will be revising how to make our writing engaging and structured. Our focus will be on using openers, connectives, paragraphs, and different features of language.

We will also be encouraging the use of joined up handwriting.



Numeracy

Number

This term we will be reinforcing basic number processes.

We will be working with larger numbers, identifying each place value within six figure numbers and learning how to round to the nearest 1000.

Multiplication/Division

Primary 5 will continue to revise and learn the times tables up to 10 through playing games, learning songs, online activities and completing challenges. We are also learning to multiply and divide 3 or more digit numbers.

Primary 5 are also learning about the importance of showing our calculations and presenting our written work neatly in our numeracy jotters.



Health & Wellbeing

Both classes have designed their class charter to ensure we have a happy, respectful and safe classroom environment.

We will continue with PATHS lessons and will begin this year exploring different feelings in relationships and getting along with others.

P.E.

The children are asked to bring their gym kit on the following days:

P5HM – Wednesday and Thursday

P5F – Monday and Thursday

Please be reminded as part of EAC policy children cannot participate in gym if they are wearing ear piercings or don't have the appropriate kit.

Contexts for Learning

We have been participating in a mini topic at the start of the school year.

'Dragons Den' where we have been working in teams to create a company, logo, product, design advertisement posters, create and star in an advert and then pitch our product to the Dragons for investment.

Through our novel we will be studying climate change and other environmental issues connected to human activity.

In Science we will be studying the water cycle and investigating floating and sinking through practical activities.

In ICT we will be conducting online research specifically on whales, ocean life and climate change. We will be learning how to use the internet safely and how to be a responsible digital citizen.

